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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Yasushi AONO
Serial No. : 10/798,775
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For : ILLUMINATION SWITCHING
APPARATUS AND METHOD
Art Unit : 2872
Examiner : Lee A. Fineman

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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S I R :

This is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed
June 14, 2006, the term for response to which expires on
September 14, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-9, 13-30,
35 and 36 are canceled; claims 10-12 are amended; claims 31-34
are maintained; and claims 37 and 38 are added.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.